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## WATER BILL TOPIC OF COMMUNICATION BY CITY OFFICIALS

Legislature Knows Nothing Of Local Conditions and Local Questions

CITIZENS OF TOWN ARE ONES TO HANDLE MATTER

Cutting Water Rates Would Severely Cripple Operation Of Town Essentials

The officials of the Town of Brevard wish to make the following explanation of the stand which they took in regard to the bill introduced in the Legislature by Mr. Galloway regulating the water rents of the Town.

"We took the view that this was purely a local matter that should be left in the hands of the citizens of the Town. The gentlemen in the Legislature at Raleigh know nothing of our local conditions and are not in position to inform themselves about conditions here. Mr. Galloway himself has been so busy with state wide and county-wide measures that he has not had an opportunity of acquainting himself fully with the conditions as they exist at the present time. We felt it our duty, therefore, to oppose the bill in order that the matter might be settled here by the local officials elected by the citizens of the Town.

"We believe that we have as loyal and intelligent a citizenship here in Brevard as can be found anywhere. We believe that our citizens are competent to handle the matter and when they have full information in regard to the matter they will do the right thing about it. If the new Board soon to be elected, after a thorough study of the matter, find they can secure the needed revenue from some other source and can reduce the water rents we shall be satisfied. Our opposition to Mr. Galloway's bill was not based on the question of either lowering the water rents or keeping them at the present figure. We merely wanted the matter left in the hands of the

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## BALL LEAGUE WILL START ON MAY 1ST

Sylvan Valley Loop Expected To Start Playing With Four Aggregations

Plans are going forward for the organization of the Sylvan Valley Baseball league, with plans now calling for play to begin on May 1st.

Four teams are expected to enter the league, with possibility of six. Pisgah Forest, pennant winners last year, are already at work on their lineup, while Penrose, Toxaway and Rosman are expected to fall in at once.

Games, as was the schedule last year, will be played on Saturday of each week. No outside players will be allowed in the league, only home players being qualified.

Much real enjoyment was gotten by both players and fans out of the league's operation last year, and some real good baseball was played. Those interested in playing or assisting in promoting the games are asked to get in touch with Walter McNeely at Lake Toxaway; Babe Stroup and Coy Fisher at Rosman; Bob Mackey at Pisgah Forest, or N. L. Ponder at Penrose.

## Bonds Will Be Accepted By Town For Taxes and Special Assessments

Resolutions were passed by the board of aldermen at their regular meeting Monday night authorizing the acceptance of bonds in payment of debt service portion of current and past due taxes, and in payment of special assessments.

Resolution was also adopted by which taxpayers may have special assessments refunded, giving a period of ten years for payment of the assessments which are now due and past due. This extension of time will be given upon application by the taxpayers, blanks for this purpose now being in the hands of City Clerk H. H. Patton.

Following are the resolutions in regard to accepting bonds in payment of debt service portion of taxes and special assessments:

"Be it resolved that the tax collector and—or treasurer be authorized to accept at par value in payment of any installment of the principal and—or interest of any special assessment bonds of the town of Brevard that are due or that become due in the current fiscal year in which said installment or installments of principal and—or interest shall become due, and that the said tax collector and—or treasurer

## SUPERIOR COURT IN SESSION THIS WEEK

Glen Blythe Case Is Set For Friday—Five Men Get Stiff Sentences

April term Superior court convened here Monday morning with His Honor, Judge P. A. McElroy, of Marshall, presiding and J. Will Pless, Jr., of Marion, solicitor. Miss Daphne Spratt of Marion, is court stenographer.

The Glen Blythe case is set for Friday of this week, this being the only case of homicide in this term. Young Blythe is charged with slaying his uncle, Verge Gray, the shooting taking place early this year.

Of outstanding interest was the case of five young men from Henderson county who were tried Monday, charged with larceny and slaying livestock. Sentences ranging from one to five years were meted out to the men who allegedly drove to the upper end of Transylvania county, and killed three hogs, one cow, and wounded two other cows.

The livestock, belonging to W. L. Phillips and Ralph R. Fisher, was taken near the Phillips home, according to Sheriff Tom Wood, who worked up the case against the men. Four animals were slain outright, three of which were carted to Henderson county and there butchered and divided, while two other cows were shot and are still suffering from the wounds inflicted by the marauders.

David Fowler was given one to two years; Mutt Maroney, three to five; Carl Russell, Allen Simpson and Arthur Ledford, four to five. The men submitted.

Civil term of court is scheduled for next week.

## MASONIC MEETING IS ATTENDED BY MANY

Over fifty members of Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge gathered in a special meeting in the lodge room Tuesday evening in answer to a statewide call.

The Rev. Paul Hartsell, pastor of Brevard Baptist church, and the Rev. R. L. Alexander, pastor Presbyterian church, were in charge of the program of the evening. A number of other speakers were also heard during the evening.

## HEMLOCK WOOD REPORTED TO BE MORE MARKETABLE

Judging from an advertisement being carried this week in The Times, the first one of its kind in many months, business is getting better. D. H. Winchester, of Rosman, is advertising for peeled Hemlock, wanting 15 carloads at one shot. Sounds interesting to those who have this type wood for sale.

## SOUTHERN TRAIN JUMPS AT ROSMAN SATURDAY

ROSMAN, April 5—The entire population of Rosman and many people from the surrounding communities were drawn here Saturday afternoon by a wreck of the Southern train, just inside the city limits, as it made the return trip from Toxaway to Hendersonville.

Crews of men worked all night Saturday, and up into the day Sunday, in an effort to get the engine back on the track. However, it was found necessary to bring a derrick and wrecking crew from Asheville before the feat could be accomplished. Very little damage was reported to either the train or track.

## Transylvania Real Property Be Cut 50 Per Cent Under Ruling Passed by Board Commissioners

Transylvania county real property will be placed upon the tax books at a reduction of 50 per cent, according to action taken by the county board of commissioners in their meeting here Monday.

Resolution adopted by the board, of which W. L. Aiken is chairman, L. V. Sigmon secretary and W. B. Henderson follows:

"It appearing to the board of commissioners that the Legislature has passed an act authorizing the commissioners to determine whether or not the said board would revalue the real estate of the county by a horizontal decrease or increase or to appoint a county supervisor and have a revaluation of the county made.

"And it further appearing to the board that it would be very expensive and cost the county several thousand dollars to have a revaluation

of the real estate of the county, tract by tract, and it is the opinion of the commissioners that a horizontal reduction of the valuation would meet present conditions.

"And, it appearing to the board that the present value of real estate in the county is excessive, and that the true value of said property is less than 50 per cent of what appears on the tax books.

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the board of commissioners of Transylvania county do hereby declare that the real property of Transylvania county be revalued by a horizontal decrease of 50 per cent from the present tax value from each lot, parcel, or piece of land in Transylvania and that the list takers and other officials be legally directed and empowered to make out their abstracts or lists as to real estate in conformity with this resolution."

## TEMPERANCE DAY IS TO BE HELD SUNDAY

Special Services To Be Held at Local Churches—Speaking At Rosman at 3 p. m.

Temperance Field Day, a statewide movement, will be observed in the Brevard churches and at Rosman on Sunday, with special services held during the day and night in the interests of temperance.

Outside speakers in observance of the day will include Rev. Jesse C. Owen, of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, who will speak at Rosman high school Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, also Mrs. Owen and M. R. Hilford, connected with the Anti-Saloon movement.

Special services of a temperance nature, with visiting and local speakers, will be held in the Methodist and Baptist churches of Brevard Sunday morning, the day's activities concluding with a mass meeting Sunday night at 8 o'clock, to be held in the Brevard Baptist church, according to present plans.

It has been stressed that the Temperance Field Day observance is a strictly non-partisan, inter-denominational movement, sponsored by the Anti-Saloon League of North Carolina, and solely in the interests of temperance and prohibition.

The observance of the day is sponsored locally by the Brevard Ministerial association.

## KI WANIS DIRECTORS ENDORSE RIVER PLAN

Congressman Weaver Praised For Efforts He Is Making To Have Work Done

Endorsement of the work Congressman Zeb Weaver is doing in regard to work of clearing the French Broad river was made by resolution at a meeting of directors of Brevard Kiwanis club held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kinzey last Friday evening.

Mayor Ralph H. Ramsey and C. M. Douglas were appointed as a committee to act for the Kiwanis club in the matter, and were instructed to confer with Hendersonville Kiwanians and other interested groups.

Before the business session of the directors an enjoyable dinner was served to the following officers and directors: F. Brown Carr, Mr. Kinzey, Frank Clement, Rev. Paul Hartsell, Dr. C. L. Newland, Rev. R. L. Alexander, Mayor Ralph Ramsey, C. M. Douglas.

## BANK HOURS CHANGED

Announcement is made by Transylvania Trust company, that effective Saturday, April 15, the bank will close promptly at 12 o'clock noon. Other banks in W. N. C. are also observing this rule.

## B. Y. P. U. MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY

Center District B. Y. P. U. meeting will be held Sunday afternoon at Carr's Hill church, Cedar Mountain, beginning at 2:30 o'clock, according to Paul Glazener, district leader.

Churches expected to have representatives at the meeting are Carr's Hill, Brevard, Gladly Branch, Dunn's Rock and Dunn's Creek, Rocky Hill and the Rev. Paul Glazener, Clyde Pitman Gillespie, Vernon Gosnell and others scheduled to take part in the program.

## FUNERAL HELD FOR LAKE TOXAWAY MAN

C. L. Sanders, Prominent In Transylvania, Dies After Two Week's Illness

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon for C. L. Sanders, age 54, at Lake Toxaway Baptist church, with the Rev. S. B. McCall of Lenoir, former pastor of the church, in charge. Interment was made in the cemetery nearby.

Mr. Sanders had been ill for two weeks, and died early Tuesday morning. He was a native of Transylvania county, a son of the late Sam Sanders, and had been in the mercantile business at Lake Toxaway for a number of years. He was an active member of Lake Toxaway Baptist church and took part in all community affairs, being ranked as among outstanding citizens of his section.

Surviving are the widow who was before her marriage, Miss Adda Reid, and two daughters, Mrs. Walter McKinna and Miss Edith Sanders, both of the Toxaway section. Moore and Osborne had charge of funeral arrangements.

## PASTOR ON VACATION

ROSMAN, April 5—The Rev. J. E. Burt, pastor of Zion Baptist church, will leave next week for Pendleton, S. C., where he will assist the Rev. J. W. Hix in a meeting at the Baptist church there.

## BREVARD BANK BILL IS RATIFIED MONDAY

Commissioners Granted To Take Over Building In Payment of Deposits

Provision whereby the county of Transylvania can take over the Brevard Banking company building to offset deposits to the credit at the time of the bank's closing in December, 1930, are provided in a bill which has been ratified by the General Assembly.

The bill, introduced several weeks ago by Representative Galloway provides that credit for the building may be accepted by the county as part of their claims against the bank.

## FINE RESPONSE MADE TO CALL FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS

Great response is being made to subscribers who are behind with their subscriptions to pay at least a part of the amount due.

Letters from several states containing checks or money orders are coming in daily, together with a fine response from Transylvania people. Again, we remind our subscribers that if they enjoy reading the county paper it is necessary that effort is made to pay for same.

## NO NAMES FILED IN MUNICIPAL PRIMARY

With filing date for entry in the Brevard City primary only one day distant, time limit set at Friday, April 7, no names have been received by City Clerk H. H. Patton.

Several names have been suggested for mayor and aldermen, but none as yet have been filed. Mayor Ralph H. Ramsey has emphatically stated that he will not re-enter the campaign for election, while several members of the present board have also signified their intention of just "being one of the voters."

## PAYMENT OF TAXES IN BONDS IS SOUGHT

Debt Service Portion Would Be Allowed Paid With Outstanding Paper

A bill which would permit Transylvania county to accept bonds in payment of the debt service portion of taxes has been introduced in the General Assembly by Representative Galloway and passed by the lower house. The bill follows:

A bill to be entitled an act to allow the commissioners of Transylvania County to accept bonds in payment of certain taxes.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the County Commissioners of Transylvania County are hereby authorized to accept County Bonds that are past due, or which become due within the fiscal year, in payment of the debt-service portion of past-due or current taxes.

Section 2. That the Tax Collector for said County is hereby authorized to accept any such past-due bonds in payment of the debt-service portion of such taxes and not otherwise; and when such bonds have been so accepted by such Tax Collector he shall be allowed full credit therefor in his settlements with the County Commissioners on such taxes.

Section 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Section 4. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

## HUBERT HOLDEN IS BIG EGG CHAMPION

Hubert Holden, of Brevard, was first prize winner in the big egg contest, he having brought an egg to The Times office that measured 8 1-8 by 6 1-4. Second prize goes to Mrs. Addie Hogsd, Route One, with third prize going to W. S. Price, Jr. of Brevard. Each of these three persons will be given one year's subscription to The Times.

Altogether there were nineteen entries in the contest, size of eggs entered coming in order of entries named below: Mrs. Haskell Lyday of Enon and Patsy Grimshaw, of Brevard tying for fourth place. Little Patsy Grimshaw had hard luck and broke the egg she planned to enter, else one of the first three people would in all probability have been crowned out. Following these two were Mrs. T. Vigodsky, Brevard; Jake Simpson, R-2; R. F. Tharp, Brevard; W. S. Hooker, Brevard; Marjorie Holden and J. M. Williams, Brevard; J. H. Wolfe, Davidson; River and Mrs. Ella Hollingsworth, Pisgah Forest; J. A. Whitmore, Cherryfield; Verne Hensley, Selma; R. F. Whitmore, Calvert; and John Pickelsimer, Brevard.

Altogether, the eggs are among the largest ever to be shown in Brevard and have attracted much attention. Smallest eggs were brought in by Earl Gray, of Blantyre; Mrs. Haskell Lyday, Enon; J. M. Williams and W. S. Hooker, Brevard. No prize was offered for the smallest eggs.

## Finger Cut Off

ROSMAN, April 5—Ruby Moore, four year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Moore of near Rosman, lost a finger last Saturday when her brother, aged seven, in some manner, cut the smaller child's finger off with an axe.

## PUBLIC MEETING IS HELD ON QUESTION OF SALARY CUTTING

Petition Are Sent To Raleigh Asking That Accountant Office Continue

SHERIFF OPERATING ON VERY MODERATE SALARY

Chief Objection To Bill Is Abolishment of County Accountant Office

Protest against the measure in regard to cutting salaries and abolishing the office of county accountant was voiced at a meeting of citizens of the county held in the court room immediately following the recess for noon on Wednesday. Several speakers were heard in opposition to the measure which was introduced by Representative Galloway and passed in the lower house. Announcement that the meeting was to be held on Wednesday was made at recess of court Tuesday noon.

A petition was adopted unanimously by the meeting and sent to Senator Francis, asking amendment to the measure in part. Wm. E. Brees presided at the meeting and read the bill as introduced. He explained that the treasurer's office had already been abolished, this having been done in the first meeting of the new board of commissioners last December, and that O. L. Erwin, elected to fill the post of treasurer was made tax collector, this office formerly being consolidated with that of sheriff. He said that Clerk of Court Otto Alexander, Register of Deeds Jess Galloway and Tax Collector O. L. Erwin were willing to take a cut in their salary as set out in the bill, and that the register and clerk had asked Galloway to introduce a bill calling for a 15 per cent cut; that Sheriff Wood volunteered to take a cut of \$600 at the beginning of his term, leaving his salary at \$3000, and that in view of the fact that all expenses incurred by the sheriff were paid by him, the county supplementing no money at all other than the \$3000 salary, that sheriff Wood was entitled to the salary now in effect.

Sheriff Wood said that he had

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## MISS DEAVER HEADS DAHLIA ASSOCIATION

Plans Call For Show To Be Staged During Early Part of Fall

Reorganization of the Transylvania Dahlia association was effected on Tuesday night at the Brevard high school building, with the election of officers for the ensuing year.

All officers were re-elected with the exception of the president, the following to serve for the coming year: President, Miss Julia Deaver; vice president, Mrs. John Maxwell; secretary-treasurer, John Ashworth. Julian Glazener presided over the meeting, the organization entering into a general discussion of dahlia culture, and made plans for staging a dahlia show at a later date.

Announcement is made that a called meeting of the association will be held at the high school building Thursday night of this week, at which time all members and others interested in dahlias are given a cordial invitation to be present.

## Beer To Be Sold In North Carolina Under Law Passed By Legislature

Ho, all the thirsty, beer will be provided in North Carolina for quenching the thirst, according to final action taken on the Francis bill by the General Assembly on Tuesday afternoon by a vote of 77 to 25. The Senate had previously passed the bill.

Under the statewide provision, which is to go into effect one minute after midnight on May first, beer will be sold wherever and when ever one wishes to sell, unless it is a business established for this purpose only.

Section 1 of the bill as passed by the legislature provides: "That on and after the passage of this act it shall be lawful for any person, firm, or corporation to sell, barter, trade, exchange, or dispose of beer, lager beer, ale, porter, fruit juices, and or light wines, containing not more than 8.2 per cent of alcohol by weight, or such other percentages as may conform to any act of the Congress of the United States, within the domains of the State of North Carolina, the subject, however, to payment of tax hereinafter imposed."

Section 4. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell beer lager beer, ale, porter, fruit juices, and (or) other light wines in North Carolina without first applying for and receiving a permit or license from the board of commissioners of the several counties of the State, which license fee shall be fixed at the sum of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars and placed in the treasury of the county, to be used in the payment of the public debt of said counties.

"Section 5. That each and every incorporated city or town in North Carolina may levy a similar license tax on each dealer in the corporations limits or within two miles of the limits not exceeding the sum of ten (\$10.00) dollars, the license for incorporated cities and towns, and the funds derived therefrom shall be put in the general funds of the city or town, to be used in the debt-service fund.

"Section 8. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell or give any of the products herein authorized to be sold to any minor under sixteen years of age; and any person violating the terms of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished for each offense in the discretion of the court."